OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY.—DECEMBER 1943. (A RISE OF TWO POINTS)

The cost of Living Index Numbers for Bangalore City for December 1943, works out to 183·7 points which is higher by 2·2 points than that of the figure for the month of November 1943.

As compared with the previous month, the Food Index decreased by 0·7 points to 207·4 due to a fall in the prices of Bangalgram, dhal, sugar, ghee, vegetables and chillies. Due to a fall in the price of castor oil the index number of its group fell by 0·3 points to 195·0. As a result of increase in the prices of dhoties, coating, shirting and cloth for pyjamas, etc., the index number of the clothing group rose by 18·0 points to 242·0. The index number of the house rent and the miscellaneous groups remained constant.

Working Class Cost of Living Index Numbers for Bangalore City.

(Average of prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	Nov. 1943	Dec. 1943	Index Numbers: Nov. 1943	Dec. 1943
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Food—							
Raw Rice	... Seer	14·0	0 2 2	0 4 4	0 4 4	200	200
Boiled Rice	... ,,	22·6	0 2 3	0 4 4	0 4 4	193	193
Ragi	... ,,	6·6	0 1 1	0 2 6	0 2 6	231	231
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·7	0 3 1	0 8 3	0 8 6	268	281
Tur Dhal	... ,,	3·4	0 2 8	0 7 7	0 7 10	291	294
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	1·4	0 2 11	0 10 5	0 10 2	357	349
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 7	0 7 2	0 7 6	277	290
Green Gram	... ,,	1·2	0 2 0	0 7 3	0 7 5	363	371
Sugar	... ,,	1·9	0 1 4	0 2 0	0 1 11	150	144
Jaggery	... Viss	1·9	0 3 6	0 7 6	0 7 6	214	214
Coffee seeds	... Seer	1·4	0 3 11	0 14 1	0 14 6	360	370
Meat (weight)	...2 lbs. wt.	7·2	0 7 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	229	229
Milk	... Seer	6·1	0 3 7	0 5 4	0 5 4	149	149
Curds	... ,,	1·9	0 1 7	0 3 3	0 3 3	205	205
Ghee	... ,,	2·9	0 6 0	0 12 7	0 12 5	210	207
Onions	... Viss	1·0	0 1 3	0 4 7	0 5 5	367	433
Vegetables	... ,,	5·6	0 2 6	0 6 0	0 5 2	240	207
Fruits	...1 Doz.	0·9	0 2 0	0 2 10	0 3 0	150	150
Gingelly oil	... Seer	2·5	0 2 0	0 4 11	0 5 2	246	258
Groundnut oil	... ,,	0·4	0 1 8	0 4 3	0 4 6	255	270
Cocoanut	... each	1·1	0 1 3	0 2 2	0 2 3	173	180
Tamarind	... Viss	0·9	0 3 3	0 10 10	0 10 10	333	333
Chillies	... ,,	2·0	0 7 4	1 9 4	1 7 8	345	323
Coriander	... Seer	1·3	0 1 5	0 3 11	0 4 1	276	288
Garlic	... ,,	0·7	0 2 0	0 2 7	0 2 11	129	146
Wheat Flour	...	1·4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10	100	100
Soji	...	1·3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	6·3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7	100	100
Total all food	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—All Food Articles		...	...	...		208·1	207·4

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	Nov. 1943	Dec. 1943	Index Numbers: Nov. 1943	Dec. 1943
Fuel and Lighting—							
Firewood	... Maund	72·0	0 2 6	0 4 7	0 4 7	183	183
Castor Oil	... Seer ...	7·7	0 1 11	0 5 6	0 5 5	287	283
Kerosene Oil	....Bottle	16·0	0 2 1	0 4 0	0 4 0	192	192
Matches	... Box of 40 sticks.	4·3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5	250	250
Total	... ...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Clothing—	Index Number—Fuel and Lighting					195·3	195·0
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards.	14·6	2 0 9	4 13 6	5 2 8	237	252
Coating	... Yard	22·5	0 5 6	0 12 2	0 13 10	221	252
Shirting	... ,,	21·5	0 4 0	0 10 0	0 11 1	250	277
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	,,	3·0	0 4 0	0 12 0	0 12 2	300	304
Saries	... Each	22·4	3 0 0	4 8 0	4 8 0	150	150
Cloth for Jackets,	Yard	16·0	0 5 0	0 13 8	0 13 6	273	270
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
	Index Number—Clothing					224·0	242·0
House rent	...	100	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3	100	100
	Index Number—House rent					100	100
Miscellaneous—							
Shaving	...	13·0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6	100	100
Washing soap	...	17·5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8	100	100
Supari	...	8·4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100
Beedies	...	11·2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9	100	100
Amusements	...	8·4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	100	100
Education	...	5·0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8	100	100
Medicine	...	8·3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1	100	100
Flowers	...	5·7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3	100	100
Household Necessaries		22·5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8	100	100
Total		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
	Index Number—Miscellaneous					100	100

Group	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Group Index Numbers: Nov. 1943	Dec. 1943
Food	53·5	206·1	207·4
Fuel and Lighting	7·0	195·3	195·0
Clothing	13·8	224·0	242·0
House Rent	6·4	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	19·3	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Number ...	...	181·5	183·7

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